PRESS RELEASE

The United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit announces the appointment of Nicholas W. Whittenburg as United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee at Chattanooga. He was sworn in on June 8, 2015 and succeeds Bankruptcy Judge John C. Cook who retired on March 31, 2015. Judge Whittenburg joins Chief Bankruptcy Judge Marcia Phillips Parsons and Judges Shelley D. Rucker and Suzanne H. Bauknight on the bench in the Eastern District of Tennessee.

Judge Whittenburg comes to the Court from the law firm of Miller & Martin, PLLC in Chattanooga. He joined the firm as an associate in 1990 and became a partner in 1996. In 2001, he became Assistant General Counsel with AmSouth Bank, and later rejoined Miller & Martin in 2004. Judge Whittenburg received his B.S., *magna cum laude*, from Vanderbilt University and his J.D., with Distinction, from Emory University School of Law, where he was a member of the Order of the Coif.

Judge Whittenburg is a former Director of the Mid-South Commercial Law Institute. He was selected as a Mid-South Super Lawyer. He is a member of the American Bankruptcy Institute, American Bar Association, Tennessee Bar Association and Georgia Bar Association.

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